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Junior mocks presidential campaigns with fake site

Andrew Clark's campaign video says he is running on ambition.

By Tiffani Gibbs Staff Writer

While other candidates are collecting signatures, junior Andrew Clark is causing confusion over his campaign.

Clark created a fake campaign website and Facebook page for a student body president campaign in collaboration with the comedy group The Scene is Dead. His platform, which is written completely in Latin dummy text, was posted on the campaign's website along with profiles of his campaign team and a link to a fake petition.

Clark declined to comment at this time. He did not attend either of the interest meetings held by the UNC Board of Elections to give his intent to run or fill out the appropriate forms, and he is therefore technically not qualified to be on the ballot for student body president.

After watching the campaign video, first-year Ethan Baechtold said he thought the video almost shed light on some things concerning the student body president elections coming up.

"If any of that is indicative to what real campaigns are like, I think it's good that someone is using satire to bring that up," he said.

Candice Hsu, a sophomore psychology major, said this way of promoting social justice through satire is acceptable.

"I'm pretty sure people can decide between what is fake and real, so you just have to take it with a grain of salt and laugh it off," Hsu said.

Clark's campaign video highlights typical ideas and conventions that are associated with elections. He said in his campaign video his key ideas are blind ambition and empty promises and his campaign team is made up of first-year recipients of Morehead-Cain and Robertson scholarships.

"Carolina, let's face it, you'll be voting

'What's fair and equitable'



Carolina Dining Services employee Melanie McMullin parks at University Place in order to avoid paying to park on or near campus for her job.

Employees have to pay to park during the day on campus

By Felicia Bailey Senior Writer

Students and visitors at UNC compete for parking on or near campus every day but often forget that university employees are fighting the same battle when they come to work every day. Employees, in order to park on campus, have to pay a parking fee.

Some employees, like Carolina Dining Services employee Melanie McMullin, can't afford to park at the University and must find

McMullin said she leaves her Durham home at 9 a.m. and parks at University Place in order to catch a bus to work by 10 a.m. McMullin said she is not the only employee who does this every day. In November, University Place personnel left notes on CDS employees' cars telling them they would get towed starting Nov. 30 if they continued to park there.

"It's just kinda aggravating because when you go to work, you've got to worry about if your car is going to be there when you get back," she said.

Parking Program, which would require night employees to purchase a permit to park. Currently, parking is free after 5 p.m.

While this was delayed, Employee Forum chairperson Charles Streeter said night parking is being discussed again for the next fiveyear parking plan.

Streeter said when you look at the amount of money that goes into servicing parking decks and other parking areas, it is the daytime permit holders who burden these costs.

Campaigns have history of humor

Past campaigns involved horses, narwhals and renaming the town.

By Charlie McGee Staff Writer

This is part of a series of stories looking into different parts of UNC's long history and how life at the University has changed over time.

The idea of a dome covering the entirety of the University's campus may seem controversial, but one former student body presidential candidate used it to define his platform.

The spring 2017 general election on Feb. 14 will bring about a fresh set of faces looking to represent their fellow students for the next year. Looking back on student presidential elections of the past reveals a few unusual tactics campaigns have used to attract voters.

According to an April 1972 edition of the University Report, a tabloid newspaper that used to circulate in Chapel Hill, student Pitt Dickey ran for the Blue Sky Party with his dog Sage as a running mate. Dickey proposed "the construction of a huge dome over the campus to keep out the rain, the public hanging of a bicycle thief in the Pit ... every week, and a horse for every student in order to rid Chapel Hill



DTH/KENDALL WILLIAMS

Student body presidential candidates (four pictured above) are campaigning across campus.

of automobile pollution."

Dickey's radical reform plans are not alone in terms of unconventional campaigning platforms. A candidate with proposals just as controversial threw his hat in the ring in the election seven years ago.

Nash Keune, a junior economics and history major from Maryland at the time, ran in the 2010 election with a platform that included converting

Davis Library's first floor into a narwhal tank and renaming the town.

"We believe that the name 'Chapel Hill' carries too much of a normative connotation of Christianity," Keune said in a 2010 article in The Daily Tar Heel. "We will correct this by advocating to the city government that the name be changed to 'Unaffiliated House of Worship and Secular Community Temple Mosque Center Hill.

These candidates' uncommon platforms grabbed the attention of their fellow students. Looking at the regulations campaigns face at UNC today, they may have had the right idea.

"Now, you cannot campaign inside of any University building," Sam Green, current student

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Carrboro to present final climate action plan next week

The plan discusses ways to engage the community to meet goals.

By Kaia Findlay Staff Writer

The town of Carrboro will present its finalized version of the Community Climate Action Plan next week in an effort to reduce the town's greenhouse gas emissions.

The plan, which was 16 years in the making, sets the goal of cutting emissions in half by 2025. To meet this goal, the plan addresses transportation, building energy efficiency, renewable energy and ecosystem management issues by engaging a powerful tool: the community.

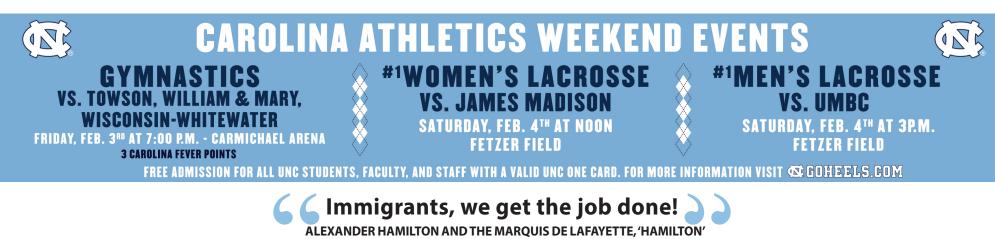
"We have to have a plan, from storm water to dealing with extreme weather events," said Jeff Herrick, a member of the plan's Energy and Climate Action Task Force. "Local community is where it starts."

The plan's recommendations addresses needs the community faces, such as a more extensive bus service and solutions for those who face flooding in their homes. Other points include the aquatic health of Bolin Creek and the relationship between the deer population and native plants.

The plan lists a total of 25 recommendations for climate improvement.

Trish McGuire, planning director for the town of Carrboro, said the town has been working on the plan since 2001. The town began researching its footprint and hit milestones in understanding

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The musical heroes' songs will be performed tonight. **By Maria Mullis**

Senior Writer

The worlds of symphony orchestra and classic rock will collide tonight at the "Heroes Tribute: A Celebration of the Music of Philip Glass, David Bowie and Brian Eno."

The tribute concert is part of a nine-day celebration, called "Glass at 80," of the music and life of American composer Philip Glass in honor of his recent 80th birthday.

Glass is known for his soundtrack work - including for "The Truman Show" – original compositions and more.

The idea was to bring together a lot of Glass' different inspirations and collaborators as well as those he has inspired, said Carolina Performing Arts' Marketing and Communications Coordinator, Renu Kohlmann.

The Heroes Tribute show will consist of two elements the first half will be Glass' Symphony "No. 4, Heroes," inspired by the late David Bowie's album of the same name, performed by the UNC Symphony Orchestra. The second half will be musicians from indie rock label Merge Records performing cover songs from Bowie's "Heroes," which was co-written with Eno.

Kohlmann said this concert is a tribute to two iconic artists.

"Because Philip was so inspired by Bowie's album and with Bowie's passing last year, it's kind of a tribute to Bowie," she said. "They've both kind of inspired each other."

Tonu Kalam, music director and conductor of the UNC Symphony Orchestra, said the 45-minute "Symphony No. 4, Heroes" is made up of six different movements - each one inspired by a Bowie song from "Heroes."

"What Glass has done taking these songs of Bowie's from the 1970s is a wonderful thing," he said.

Kalam said the audience will hear a very interesting orchestral piece.

"It's very melodious and harmonically beautiful, but there's also a lot of repetition,"



PHOTO COURTESY OF RENU KOHLMANN The UNC Symphony is performing a tribute to David Bowie.

> Gora Combs, a flute player in the UNC Symphony

Orchestra, said she is honored and grateful to be a part of

this experience.

"It would be great if the audience could learn more about Philip Glass and his music," she said.

Gora Combs also said she hopes the audience is able to pick up on the connections between Bowie and Glass, whether in a concrete or more abstract manner.

Since the second half of the show will involve Bowie cover songs in their classic rock form, there is something for everyone at this show. Kalam said the audience will be able to compare relations between the first and second halves of the show. Tickets for the event are

close to selling out.

"People are excited," Kohlmann said. "I think having multiple genres involved and different bands helps a lot."

Both Kohlmann and Kalam said people should come out to the show because of the uniqueness of this particular tribute concert.

"I think it's kind of a once in a lifetime thing," Kohlmann said.

"It's only happened here, it's never happened before, I don't know if it will ever happen again,"

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POLICE LOG

 Someone reported loud music and a party on the 100 block of Kenan Street at 12:24 a.m. Friday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

CORRECTIONS

• Someone reported larceny on the 100 block of East Franklin Street at 1:16 a.m. Friday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person stole \$64

worth of hand bags, debit cards, wallets and cash money, reports state.

 Someone reported larceny on the 1700 block of

he said. "You kind of have to

lay back and suspend your

sense of time for a little bit."

Sophomore Katherine

Michaux Road at 4:00 p.m. Friday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person stole a youth size basketball goal valued at \$62.84, reports state.

· Someone broke and entered a home on the 400 block of Highview Drive at 11:55 a.m. Friday, according to Chapel Hill police reports. The person stole over \$600

worth of electronics and damaged the door of the home, reports state.

· Someone reported barking dogs on the 100 block of Culbreth Park Drive at 8:39 p.m. Friday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

 Someone committed automobile theft on the 100 block of Columbia Place Drive at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

The person stole a Honda Pilot valued at \$5,000, reports state.

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Walk your cat and take a nap

am very tired. I got jaw surgery one week ago and then slept for eight hours, which was a real feat for me.

I am on pain medicine that warns it causes "some drowsiness" and anti-nausea medicine that warns of "EXTREME DROWSINESS," so I think my tiredness is a little warranted.

I spent this week treating my jaw like I would a newborn baby, doing everything short of swaddling it (I tried).

But my largest and most controversial gesture was getting enough sleep.

I have gone to bed before midnight and slept at least seven hours every day since my jaw surgery.

I would like to tell you I feel refreshed and anew, like a spring flower or a dryer sheet or those girls in tampon commercials, but I mostly just feel guilty.

And this happens every year. Surrounded by fellow sleep-deprived students, I convince myself that if I just stay up another hour (or five), I can keep up with my classmates. The hours asleep feel undeserved and like a waste. When the world is — well, you are reading a newspaper; you know what the world is like right now — it feels selfish to take some time out of the day to make sure you are not literally, physically falling apart.



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Who are our strangers?

President Trump's Muslim ban threatens our identity.

wo weeks ago, I wrote a column asking: In politics, who really are our neighbors? I meant for the piece to play on that perennial impulse, the command to love thy neighbor as yourself. Now I ask: Who are our strangers?

This week, we watched President Trump sign an executive order barring citizens of seven Muslimmajority countries and barring Syrian refugees. We witnessed the chaos, intended or not, that erupted in law enforcement agencies.

I have few words to describe the tragic toll that the hastily implemented travel and refugee ban have wreaked and will wreak. I cannot calculate how this move against legal, thoroughly vetted U.S. students, residents and refugees will escalate tension with Iran or affect the strategic goals of our troops in Iraq.

But from an international relations position, the travel ban is destabilizing. From a human rights perspective, it's grave. And from a national identity perspective, it's a crossroads. There's no need to create new theories to understand this; the old ones will do quite nicely. The Muslim ban executive action is an



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example of a heavy-handed, blunt instrument of government authority enacted on a legal minority population of U.S. residents. In a way it's almost like the government overreach that the right wing has denounced for so long.

This ban is the "heavy hand" of government taken shape, separating families and disrupting the legal process. Supporters and opponents alike can recognize that it reneges on the solid promise of legal entry that a U.S. visa or green card provide.

Where is actionable con-

yet to demonstrate against the ban, even though it constitutes a major overreach. Our democratic history

is filled with tragic stories of groups being excluded those that have been shamefully deemed beyond the majority's scope of empathy, that have been excluded from all the same rights that the majority advocates for themselves.

On the international stage, this was long the Soviets; this translated into a paranoia of communists at home. Before that, a historical shame was fear of Japanese-Americans that translated into internment camps filled with U.S. citizens. These are some of the deepest scars on our moral history – moments when Americans chose to hate other Americans as they do not hate themselves or those who might look more like them. Some who often complained that the arm of government was too long

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"And then at that point, we were on a different planet."

Zach Powers, on the moment after men's lacrosse won the 2016 title

FEATURED ONLINE READER COMMENT

"So someone's feelings are now evidence? You right-wingers sure are sensitive."

Kyle_Gregory, on Trump supporters not feeling welcome at UNC

LETTERS TO **THE EDITOR**

DTH editorial left out crucial information

TO THE EDITOR:

The Feb. 1 opinion piece "UNC administrators mishandled Trump's ban" left out important facts. Chancellor Folt shares the concerns of the campus community about the potential effects of the executive order. She has been highly engaged with UNC Global and campus leadership to ensure that we are doing everything possible to support those affected. Since these specific issues arose last fall, the Chancellor and her leadership team have issued several campus communications and have met with faculty and student groups to address their questions and concerns. The most important outcome of these meetings has been to ensure those affected are directed to appropriate resources and are fully supported.

To be clear, as she has previously and repeatedly communicated to our campus, Carolina is already doing what every other university is claiming to do in terms of protection of records, documents and identities. And as they have stated in several public forums, our campus police do not ask for citizenship status or gather immigration information. Chancellor Folt appreciates and shares the concerns the faculty are expressing for our students and encourages all of us to work together on these important issues.

Kvetching board[™] kvetch:

v.1 (Yiddish) to complain

Let's swap Trump for Arnold: Trump hosts the Apprentice, and Arnold runs the country.

Hypocrites! Where were you when Obama was bombing the countries now affected by the travel ban?

To the girl in the matching Star Labs shirt: Despite my initial confusion about you yelling "REPRESENT!" as soon as you saw me, l appreciate your mutual support of Barry Allen and general outgoing attitude #antikvetch

I'm running out of ways to politely tell the J-School that I'd rather chew off my foot than work in North Carolina

No Ban, No Wall.

I never thought I'd have to say this, but if I ask for a high five and end up with a bloody palm, YOU'RE DOING IT WRONG!

To the person that consistently asks more than five questions during lecture, there are office hours for that.

My BIOL 101L TA tried lighting a Bunsen burner for over a minute until a student pointed out that the TA opened the wrong valve, and gas was flowing into the room instead of the burner. If the homework doesn't kill me, the lab recitation sure will.

Shout out to the all the Campus Y presidential candidates who didn't use racial slurs.

Why do people keep trying to deny the Rwandan genocide?

All of that is maybe the silliest lie we as college students tell ourselves.

You cannot keep running on empty forever; sleeping or taking a quiet moment for yourself is a good thing. Repeat that. Write it down. Get it as a lower back tattoo whatever you need to remind yourself every so often that you are a human person. You cannot help out your fellow human people to your fullest extent if you are a sleepless mess

It is difficult to commit to a time-consuming goal like finishing a novel or getting the recommended amount of sleep, but here are a few little things I do to remind myself that I am a human woman who needs to make sure that she is not physically falling apart:

Watch subtitled TV with my roommates in a language none of us speak. We all have to focus on reading the subtitles and cannot have any distractions like homework or our phones, so it's some pure bonding time.

Find a stress book. Whenever I'm stressed beyond repair, I flip through "Confessions of a Shopaholic." If Becky Bloomwood can make it through the day, so can I. Water my plants. Walk my cat. Walk my cat and my plants. Explain to my neighbors why I'm walking my cat (and realize I have no good

explanation for walking my plants).

A friend and his computer science cohort made a meme stock exchange, and it is beautiful. I invested in "Damn Daniel" too early and failed to anticipate the skyrocket of "thebeemovie," so I'm not doing great, but it's nice to flip to between classes.

So take a deep breath. And then take a nap. And then wake up and get stuff done.



02/06: Kvetcher in the Rye Benii Schwartz writes on coming together as a community.

servative outrage over these policies? Yes, some conservative thinkers are sounding the alarm bells, and some members of Congress have rejected it. But unlike the many people who have taken to the street this week, the main Republican base has

cheered on the seizure of liberties from those with whom they would not empathize. The Muslim ban is a test,

and history implores citizens - regardless of party registration - to roundly denounce this first imposition into the lives of our Muslim neighbors.

EDITORIAL What is an identity?

bias.

Identity is a process of flourishing and

changing. ognitive dissonance the process by which the beliefs someone thinks they hold and the reality of their actions contradict each other - may seem overwhelming.

Your views are suddenly changing, you feel like you don't know what is true and what isn't anymore and it's as if everything you were taught by society, school, or conventional wisdom could have other sides or facets to it that you never knew before. This doesn't help when college students are already in the midst of discovering who they are and what they believe, but it is necessary.

The feeling of mental exhaustion and weariness when you have two conflicting beliefs is something you should take pride in. It signals the beginning of thinking critically about subjects like you haven't before. It's uncomfortable, it's tiring and it's constantly going to happen once we start to learn things that don't conform to a confirmation

At a deeper level, cognitive dissonance demonstrates that identity itself is always in the process of changing and becoming. When we come from places that constantly validate existing beliefs, identity and belief often became conflated as the same.

In practice, the two are both in a process of constantly evolving and reshaping in ways that mean our fixed senses of self are largely illusionary. We therefore find ourselves enmeshed in complicated networks of becoming that reshape fundamentally how we live our lives.

If we follow this logic to the absolute extreme, then the categories of identity through which we live our lives (race, gender, sexuality, class) are constantly shifting in meaning, gaining new meanings and shedding old ones.

The process by which we come to be an "individual" is therefore only through involvement in the networks of meaning and becoming that establish the conditions and possibility of our existence.

What does this mean for politics? Central to

politics is the struggle over the meanings of these categories, how people come to embody them, and what that embodiment

means in terms of political

actions and choices. The French philosophers Gilles Deleuze and Felix Guattari note, when describing the rise of fascism in Europe, that "the masses were not innocent dupes; at a certain point, under a certain set of conditions, they wanted fascism, and it is this perversion of the desire of the masses that needs to be accounted for." The accomplishments of fascism are therefore to construct identity and to articulate desire toward the fascistic ends – to create conditions such that people want fascism.

To counter the fascistic articulations of identity, we must constantly struggle over the meanings of identity. This entails seeing cognitive dissonance as an opportunity to work through the contradictions embedded in an identity. Through approaching this struggle with kindness, love and empathy, we can restructure the nature of desire, pointing it towards identity formations that are just and equitable.

Vice Chancellor of University *Communications*

Trump article lacked UNC representation

TO THE EDITOR:

When I saw The Daily Tar Heel front cover had a "Make America Great Again" hat on it, I immediately picked it up, very surprised that a pro-Trump article would make the front page. Seeing the phrase "fitting in" in the headline made me hopeful that maybe the DTH had finally printed a pro-Trump article. I dove into the article while walking to class, even though I was running late, and was immediately disappointed. The part of the story that was featured on the front page was an interview with an N.C. State student. I had hoped that this article would have shed light on the Trump supporters at UNC and how their opinion needs to be heard, and while I do appreciate that this is the final message of this article, I somehow felt more ostracized that the DTH could not even find three Trump supporters on UNC's campus, and that two out of the three people interviewed were from N.C. State.

> Connor Shaw Senior Exercise and Sport Science

Isn't it cool when profes-

sors say they'll write a letter of recommendation, and then after a month, they just don't?

Please don't take points off of my assignment for not following a rubric if you didn't give a rubric for the assignment.

The only student body president candidate l'm interested in voting for is the satirical one.

No, I won't sign your petition. We'd have to at least get coffee together or see a movie beforehand.

It's poetic that Dey Hall smells like death.

Has The Daily Tar Heel forsaken the bees?

I can't wait for graduate schools to announce their decisions so that my boyfriend will stop being the worst.

I wish my girlfriend would let me finish my sentence about graduate school instead of making fun of me.

I hear all the hot girls hang out in Panera, is that true?

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News

Comics store will say goodbye in March

Owner Ryan Kulikowski said he'll miss the community.

By Molly Horak Staff Writer

For Ryan Kulikowski, it all began when he picked up a copy of a Kingdom Come comic book.

"The art was just amazing and I thought the story was so cool and so different from what I'd read as a kid that I was just blown away," Kulikowski said.

As his love for comics grew, it became Kulikowski's dream to own a comic book store of his own. In 2014 he got his chance when he took over Chapel Hill Comics, located on West Franklin Street.

But his time as a business owner is coming to an end -Chapel Hill Comics is expected to close March 31.

Kulikowski said he is unaware of any plans for the space, although several people have expressed interest. "A lot of people have been

very sad, but we've also gotten

a lot of support, thanking us for being there," Kulikowski said. "We're very thankful for the customers that we have – some of them have been with the store longer than we have."

India Lassiter, a long-term employee at Chapel Hill Comics, said she's loved her job at the store and is sad to see it closing.

"Apparently I'd been missing the writing on the wall because everyone was like, 'Oh yeah, I kind of already knew,' because things have been going bad this year," she said. "But I just thought we were going to have a bad year and keep going."

Before he owned Chapel Hill Comics, Kulikowski had no business experience. In retrospect, there are things he'd do differently, he said, but there were many factors that led to the store closing, such as construction on Franklin Street and a lack of parking.

"It stings my pride a little bit to know that people are disappointed," Kulikowski said. "I certainly wish I could stay open longer, but these superheroes and science fiction are all part of a fictitious world. When you're having to make business decisions that affect your family, you have to ground yourself in reality."

All the inventory must be liquidated prior to the store's closing. Kulikowski said sales are already going on and discounts will get higher over the next several weeks.

Lassiter said the comic industry is a unique market, as independent comic book stores focus on selling only one genre – though it's a diverse one.

"It's such a wonderful, historic whole item," Lassiter said. "You know that some kid probably looked at it and was inspired by it. It's influenced so much, from movies to TV shows to pop culture references and people's basic ideas about justice and goodness." Kulikowski agreed.

"My favorite days are when customers come in and engage us in conversation about comics and movies – arguments like what you might see in nerd movies," he said. "That's when it's the most fun, when we're talking and laughing and



Chapel Hill Comics expects to permanently close its doors at the end of March.

being a community."

Alan Gill, the owner of Ultimate Comics in Durham, said his store has had a good relationship with Chapel Hill Comics and he's sad to see it go.

"We've done some orders together, and he's supported my conventions because I do the North Carolina Comicon," Gill said. "He's come out as a vendor, sold tickets for me and supported the show, and we try to promote them too." Throughout his stint as

owner, Kulikowski said he has grown as a person.

"I've learned so much

more about myself and what my strengths and some of my weaknesses are," he said. "To be more resourceful, to ask for help with things maybe I found that out a little too late."

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'What you were going to get if the Republicans won'

Democrats plan to filibuster Judge Neil Gorsuch's nomination.

By Jared Weber Staff Writer

President Donald Trump nominated conservative judge Neil Gorsuch for the U.S. Supreme Court Tuesday night.

Gorsuch, a federal appellate judge in Denver, practices strict interpretation of the U.S. Constitution. His policy preferences mirror those of Justice Antonin Scalia - whose death last year left the seat vacant, said Kevin McGuire, UNC political science professor.

"That won't change the ideological lineup of the court in any significant way," he said.

Scott de Marchi, a Duke University political science professor, said Gorsuch or a similar judge - would have likely been any elected Republican president's pick. "This is what you were going to get if the Republicans won the White House," de Marchi said.

will demand a supermajority of 60 votes to confirm the nominee — likely resulting in a Democratic filibuster.

The move comes after Republican senators filibustered former President Barack Obama's nominee, Judge Merrick Garland, until the end of his term.

"On a subject as important as a Supreme Court nomination, bipartisan support should be a prerequisite. It should be essential. That's what 60 votes does," Schumer said in a speech Wednesday on the Senate floor.

De Marchi said the Democrats could stall the nomination until 2020.

"The great thing about (the process) is that, unless you choose the nuclear option for 10 months – we just saw someone essentially do that with the Obama nominee or you could filibuster for four years, which the Democrats could, and probably should, do," he said. The nuclear option senate Republicans now have available permits the majority party to override filibusters without a supermajority.

Republicans to do the same. De Marchi warned the president against forgoing the usual legislative process.

"In the Senate, one of the things that people count on is that, to do anything consequential, you need a supermajority," de Marchi said. "To the extent that Trump wants to get rid of the filibuster completely for Supreme Court nominees to get a short term objective ... he's not looking downstream as to what this means for the rest of the history of the Senate."

He said Democrats have triggered the option before going nuclear in 2013 when Republicans delayed Obama's lower court nominees and executive appointments.

If Republicans terminate the opposing filibuster, McGuire said he is unsure of potential consequences.

Website celebrates 10 millionth book read

TarHeelReader.org helps people with disabilities read.

By Marco Quiroz-Gutierrez Staff Writer

Faculty from the UNC School of Medicine and the Department of Computer Science came together on Tuesday to celebrate the ten millionth book read on TarHeelReader.org.

The online library of free books for students with disabilities was co-founded by computer science professor Gary Bishop and Director of the Center for Literacy and Disability Studies Karen Erickson. Since its founding in 2008, the site has seen a huge increase in users - all without a single dollar spent

on advertising. Kevin Jeffay, chairperson of the computer science department, said TarHeelReader. org has seen such widespread success partly due to buzz spread by fans of the site. "(Bishop and Erickson) built this thing, and they put it out there, and teachers started writing books, and pretty much by wordof-mouth, this thing spread across the globe," he said. Bishop said the site was built with a focus on children with visual impairments, but later it was used by students

with other disabilities. "Most of our users have motor impairment or cognitive impairment," he said. "They can't handle a conventional book."

The collaborative project began with no funding and a goal of eventually hosting 1,000 books on the site. This goal was surpassed within months, and now, nine years later, the site hosts over 50,000 books written in 27 different languages.

Bishop said he is still in disbelief about the rate at which the site has grown.

When we started it, I had no idea it would get this big,"

he said. By incorporating an easy-

what the computer science department encourages its faculty to develop.

"It all fits into the model of research for this department, which is to work with others to solve real world problems," he said.

TarHeelReader.org has encouraged students from around the world to read, including a fourth-grader named Leo who cannot hold a book on his own and uses a speech generating device to communicate.

"I like the Tar Heel Reader because it's free!" he said over email. "My favorite book is 'I Love Roller Coasters'!"

Erickson said she has high hopes for the future of the website.

"We'd also like more really smart young people to make more books for us because over and over again when you look at the books that are most widely read on the site, they're always written by other young people," she said. "And they tend to be written by young people who don't have any disabilities at all; they just decided to write a book to make the world a better place."

U.S. Senate majority leader Chuck Schumer, D-NY, indicated his party

Trump backed the option Wednesday, urging

I he irony of it is that we are going to need a longer time period to understand what the consequences are," McGuire said. "It's sort of like asking someone to make a prediction of what Obama's presidency would have resulted in after only 11 days."

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to-use online form on the site itself, he said the creators have made it possible for anyone to write a book of his or her own and post it to the site.

"The key thing is that it enables civilians to create the books easily," he said.

Jeffay said projects like TarHeelReader.org are exactly

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ters of the heart over the next month, with Venus in your sign. Beautify your surroundings, your wardrobe and your

Venus in Aries, fantasies abound. Discover hidden beauty from the past. Finish old jobs and rest. Enjoy quiet Gemini (May 21-June 20) Today is an 8 -- You're especially popular, take advantage. Get out in public over the next month, with Venus in Aries. Social activities benefit your career. Group collaborations thrive. Cancer (June 21-July 22) Today is a 7 -- Assume authority this month, with Venus in Aries. It's easier to advance your agenda. Take on greater leadership. Career advance ment is distinctly possible Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Today is an 8 -- Explore and discover new beauty this month, with Venus in Aries. Make travel plans and venture forth. Investigate a matter of persona

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"Ultimately for the Employee Forum, a majority of the delegates looked at it and said we understand and we have to go for what's fair and equitable," Streeter said.

Housekeeping crew leader James Holman said there are some University employees who do not earn a living wage and would suffer if they have to pay for nighttime parking.

"As it stands now, the second and third shift workers have

for a straight, white, male

Clark said in his video.

Morehead no matter what,"

Student body president

campaigns began this week

for the upcoming term and

elections are being held

who have read through

on Feb. 14. Some students

Clark's campaign website

and Facebook page believe

his motive was to identify

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certain stereotypes that are

its climate impact, she said.

In 2009, the Carrboro

Board of Aldermen passed

a resolution to reduce emis-

sions after joining the Cities

Campaign. The town then

Energy and Climate Action

organized the seven-member

for Climate Protection

to compete with students and the community to find places to park," he said in an email. "If the nighttime parking is going to move forward then the University needs to respect the employees that take care of faculty, staff and students."

McMullin said CDS employees have the opportunity to pay to park at the Friday Center, 2.5 miles off campus. Employees have to take a bus from the Friday Center to get to campus. McMullin continues to park at University Mall.

"Who wants to pay to park at the Friday Center when you're not getting as much money?" she said.

Scott Weir, CDS general manager, said CDS employees are given the same parking options that are available for all University staff.

"We do allow them to use payroll deduction to pay for University Parking permits over an extended period of time via deduction from their weekly paycheck," he said.

UNC Transportation and Parking have made steps to

said he knew it was a joke

"I would hope that some-

one is more serious than that

and actually cares about the

out," Vadala-Roth said.

issues that (Clark) is pointing

First-year Glamar Galeas,

a first-year, said she thought

the point of the campaign

was to show students who

they should or should not

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attached to political campaigns.

Eva Ramirez, a first-year said she found the video funny and that she liked it.

"I think it's purpose was to call attention to the stereotypical person that's going to be the student body president and make us pay attention to who we are actually electing," Ramirez said.

Other students find the fake campaign alarming. Ben Vadala-Roth, a gradu-

ate student studying math,

Task Force in 2014 to draft a plan for climate action.

The final draft appeared on the board's agenda on Jan. 24, and members approved the initiative to make it official.

The final product describes the visions, goals and expectations for Carrboro climate action, McGuire said, and what levels of commitment and resources are needed for

Carrboro to reach its goal.

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Randee Haven-O'Donnell, a member of the board and task force, used the plan's goal of protecting trees to stress the essential nature of community involvement.

The plan works most effectively when residents advocate for nature preservation where they live, she said. The alternative would involve the

make parking and commuting options at the University affordable by creating a sliding scale based on employee salary and type/location of the parking space, said UNC spokesperson Randy Young.

"UNC also partners with local communities to (create) affordable alternatives to parking on campus, such as farefree bus service through Chapel Hill transit," Young said.

Streeter said the Employee Forum does not represent CDS employees because they work for another corpora-

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body vice president, said. "You can't go in a library and tell 50 people to go vote for you; you can't go into a classroom and tell people to go vote for the candidate vou want to endorse."

Despite his unusual tactics, the University Report article said Dickey received 1,458 votes - or 27 percent of the overall student vote. While these antics enter-

town identifying locations for protecting trees, which would cut off resources for preservation outside those areas.

protect their trees in a unified way, we'll support the continued preservation of all trees," she said. "We'll take (the issues) right to the neighborhoods."

tion and are not state-paid employees. However, Streeter said if someone were to bring an issue to his attention, he would still take it to the employee's facility manager.

Holman and McMullin have their own suggestions for parking at the University, even if they may not be feasible right now.

Holman said there aren't designated parking spaces for second and third shift $\operatorname{employees}-\operatorname{they}\operatorname{have}$ to compete with students since all parking is free after 5 p.m.

tained voters, they did not translate to actual election victories. University Historian Cecelia Moore recounted one attention-grabbing tactic in the 2011 election, from candidate Brooklyn Stephens. "She rode her horse

through the Pit campaigning,' she said.

Moore said she was impressed by the winner of that election, then-junior Mary Cooper, who took a quieter campaigning approach. "There was some sniping

Moore said Carrboro will set a good example by having a complete climate plan. The local governments of Chapel Hill and Hillsborough share Carrboro's commitment to the Cities for Climate Campaign, which places Carrboro in a network of climate effort.

Carrboro will announce on social media once the plan is made available to the public

"There should be assigned areas where each employee will be allowed to park at night close to the area where they work," Holman said. "If not, this could become a safety issue."

McMullin said while it is probably not possible for the University to create free designated parking for employees, it would be nice to see some changes.

"I think it's unfair to have to pay to park where you work."

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and some negative things happening, which I don't really recall really well, but Mary managed to stay out of all of that political fighting," Moore said. "She really had a very focused platform, and she ended up winning and was, I think, a real effective student body president."

Despite not winning, peculiar campaigns like Keune's and Dickey's won't soon be forgotten.

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on the town's website.

Marcellus Brown, who lives on the border of Chapel Hill and Carrboro, said he agreed that Carrboro sets a good precedent by addressing climate change.

"It keeps our community going and vibrant," he said. "It's a good trademark for us."

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Spellings discusses higher education at chamber meeting

By Maddy Arrowood Staff Writer

Business leaders and elected officials of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro community reflected on the past year's accomplishments at the annual Chamber of Commerce meeting Thursday morning.

UNC-system President Margaret Spellings began the morning with remarks on the state of North Carolina's higher education.

'Our future as a state, and our future as a country,

depends on our need and our demand to educate more students to higher levels than ever before," she said.

Spellings said higher education has never been as necessary for the community as it is now.

"We are truly in a global knowledge economy," she said.

Spellings focused her speech on poor, minority and rural students who face limited options in pursuing higher education.

She said she is keeping her eye on the Deferred Action

for Childhood Arrivals policy under the Trump administration. She also said she hopes to clarify the issue of sexual assault on college campuses by determining what the role of local law enforcement is compared to the University's role.

Spellings addressed the strategic plan adopted by the UNC Board of Governors and said that while the UNC system is not perfect, they are looking forward to the new plan.

This plan is focused on retention and graduation rates. Spellings said an

increase in higher education credentials would act as an economic boost for the state.

Spellings encouraged the business community to step up and help young people directly by giving them experiences they can use in the real world. She ended her talk by saying North Carolina is changing and growing in both size and diversity, and that is good news.

Other speakers continued in a similar tone to Spellings. Anthony Pugliese, the 2016 chairperson of the chamber's board of directors, noted sev-

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eral improvements the chamber worked for in 2016.

"One of the greatest threats to our local and regional economy in 2016 came from North Carolina's House Bill 2. I am proud that your chamber was the first chamber in

the state of North Carolina to condemn the law and to call for its repeal," he said. Joel Levy, the 2017 chamber board chairperson, called

for compromise across the political spectrum. "At the chamber, while

continuing to be a strong and effective advocate for business

interests of our community, we embrace our role as community conveners and seek partners with intersecting interests to form effective coalitions," he said. "Please join us in modeling the behavior we wish to see on a state and national level."

Pugliese presented awards to several community members, including Chapel Hill Police Chief Chris Blue, who received the Duke Energy Citizenship and Service Award.

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Sports Friday

'We knew what we were playing for'

Tar Heels embrace family in their 2016 title run

By John Bauman Senior Writer

The dishes were winning. Piled high, they covered every inch of counter space in North Carolina men's lacrosse head coach Joe Breschi's kitchen. There were dozens of sets of plates, cups and utensils. It was the only evidence remaining from a joyful dinner shared among family.

This was a standard scene on Wednesday nights, when Breschi hosted his team during their 2016 NCAA Tournament run. It was a chance for the team to spend time together with Breschi's family and four labradors. Away from the stress of the season, they could relax.

But on this night, that wasn't quite the case. Breschi, chipping away at the pile of plates, looked up to find all his players missing.

"I was like, 'Where'd everybody go?" he said.

Out in his backyard, the entire team was surrounding Breschi's then 10-year-old daughter Lucy, who was giving a fiery pep talk.

"And then she went down and broke the huddle, 'Family," said Breshci, whose team begins its title defense Saturday against the University of Maryland-Baltimore County. "And to me, that was like - that's what it's all about."

On the morning of May 22 -when North Carolina

Before coming to UNC, Breschi coached at Ohio State for 11 years. But he forged a more ominous bond with the community in 2004, when his 3-year-old son, Michael, died in a traffic accident.

"(Former captain Patrick) Kelly spoke at the breakfast before the game and said, 'We are always better when we play for something bigger than ourselves," goalkeeper Brian Balkam said. "So let's play this game for Michael.' It was unanimous. The

players scribbled "MB" on their helmets and took to the field, beating the Fighting Irish by four goals to reach the Final Four in Philadelphia.

North Carolina was playing for Breschi and his family, reciprocating the message that the coach injects into every aspect of his program.

"He lives the life he tries to coach his players," athletic director Bubba Cunningham said. "Some people want to coach beyond what they are willing to do themselves, but not coach Breschi."

Riding an emotional high, the Tar Heels triumphed with an 18-13 win over Loyola in the national semifinal. Two days later, North Carolina jumped out to a 4-0 lead over top-seeded Maryland.

The Terrapins crawled back, though, cutting UNC's lead to 6-5 late in the first quarter to test the Tar Heels' resolve. But North Carolina didn't have to look far for inspiration.

The day before in nearby Chester, Pa., the women's lacrosse team seized a 6-1 lead over an undefeated Maryland team en route to a 13-7 win, claiming their second national title in four years under head coach Jenny Levy.

"Everyone was so happy for them once they won," Balkam said. "But it was also like, 'Well, they won — now we've got to win. Now it's our turn." The Terrapins scored the final three goals of the second quarter, to take an 8-7 lead over the men's team heading into halftime. As Breschi jogged off the field, he called in a favor from a team that knew what the Tar Heels faced.



The unseeded North Carolina men's lacrosse team celebrates their national championship victory over No. 1 Maryland on May 30, 2016.

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team was honored on the field. After, the former players made a tunnel for the Tar Heels to run through, as they returned to the field.

"I don't even know if they were supposed to do that," Balkam said. "But they did it because they were there with us, saying, 'Hey, we did this, you guys can do this.' "I know that fired every

last one of us up."

North Carolina kept battling once the second half began. The game was tied, 10-10, at the end of the third unleashed a shot at UNC's goal. He had a clean look at the cage - or so he thought.

But North Carolina defenseman Zach Powers launched himself, Superman-style, in front of the shot.

His dive altered the angle, and Balkam made the stop to save the championship dream.

"I know for a fact that anyone else on our team would have done the exact same thing for the brothers, for the coaches, for the fans, for the alumni," Powers said. "I just happened to be the one to do so.'

Chris Cloutier did the rest. With 1:39 left in the overtime period, his golden goal - which set the record for goals in a single tournament (19) – gave the team a 14-13 victory. The Tar Heels became the first unseeded team in NCAA history to win the national championship, the

program's first in 25 years. 'Once (Cloutier) drained it, two championship trophies. It was an iconic image of North Carolina planting its flag atop the lacrosse world.

"I looked around the stands, and there were several alumni shedding a tear or two," said Graham Harden, who was a senior captain on the '91 team.

The only player missing from the 1991 group was Stephen Muir, who died in 2015 from lung cancer. He was loved by his teammates and greatly missed throughout the weekend, but his spirit was felt throughout.

"We scored the game-winning goal in the 32nd minute of the second half – two minutes into overtime - with 32 seconds off the Maryland penalty on our 32nd shot of the game," Breschi said.

Muir wore No. 32.

"It sort of speaks for itself ... "Harden said. "It's amazing how certain things running down their faces.

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The Tar Heels had done the impossible by following the lead of their friends on the women's team, getting an assist from the '91 team and giving everything they had as Powers did when he laid out to stop Maryland's wideopen shot. That's where the smiles came from.

But the team found the strength to do it all by playing for Michael Breschi.

"Their thing was, right before sleep, Michael would always be like, 'Thumbs up, Dad,' and Coach would always give Michael a thumbs up," Powers said. "It was their way of saying, 'Hey, I love ya. I'll see you tomorrow.""

That's where the tears came from. The players knew they had triumphed for something bigger than themselves.

"If you see the championship photo from after us celebrating, getting the trophy, etc., you can see probably 80 percent of the guys at least have a thumbs up in that photo," Powers said. "Not 'No. 1.' We all have our thumbs up because we knew what we were playing for - and that was Michael."

played Notre Dame in the Elite Eight — the team gathered for breakfast. In a few hours, this group would step onto the field in Columbus, Ohio, with Lucy's words still ringing in their ears. There was something else stuck in their minds, though: Breschi's own past in Columbus.

At halftime, the 1991 UNC men's lacrosse championship quarter, and a wild fourth period wasn't enough to crown a champion.

So the game went to sudden-death overtime, tied at 13.

With 3:26 left, Maryland had a man-up advantage as Connor Kelly, who had already scored four times,

I was maybe the first or second guy to him, to hug him and tackle him," Powers said. "And then at that point, we were on a different planet."

After the initial burst of euphoria, the team made its way to where the women's team sat in the UNC section of the stadium, uniting the

come together, and how they play out."

After the game, the national champions gathered around their trophy, put their thumbs up and smiled. Some still had tears on their cheeks, eye black

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Women's lacrosse follows title season with top ranking

The Tar Heels enter the season ranked No. 1 in the nation.

By James Tatter Staff Writer

The North Carolina women's lacrosse team begins its 2017 season against James Madison at noon on Saturday at Fetzer Field. Here's what to expect from the No. 1 Tar Heels in their opening game and throughout the season.

How do they play?

A season ago, UNC shocked Maryland in the NCAA title game with a 13-7 upset - the Terrapins' biggest margin of defeat since 2007. The top-ranked Tar Heels

feature a lightning-fast attack — one that was the fifth-highest scoring offense in the nation last year. North Carolina returns nine of its top 11 scorers, including senior Molly Hendrick, who led UNC in goals and points in 2016.

The back line is directed by two-time National Goalie of the Year Caylee Waters. North Carolina stymied foes with the ninth-highest save percentage in the nation in 2016.

Who stands out?

The Tar Heels feature a deep roster with seven preseason All-Americans — including junior Maggie Bill, who last played in UNC's 2015 title loss to Maryland before redshirting last season. Bill and senior Sydney Holman, who hasn't played since March, rejoin the

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lineup as fresh additions with veteran experience.

When's their best game?

North Carolina faces an early test on Feb. 25, when it travels to College Park for a rematch with No. 2 Maryland. While the season won't be decided in nonconference play, the national title rematch could be the highlight of the entire women's lacrosse season.

With seven nationallyranked teams in the conference, ACC wins are never easy to come by. However, the Tar Heels face a unique threat in their regular-season finale, an Apr. 22 showdown in Durham with No. 10 Duke.

What's their weakness?

The Tar Heels return depth and experience across the field, but their biggest weakness might be expectation. With the rest of the nation

coming for the throne, this team must respond to the pressure of defending a title.

Why could they win it all?

Last season's team featured a blend of skill and athleticism that won 17 straight games for a national title. But the Tar Heels might be even better this season.

They bring back a loaded



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UNC midfielder Marie McCool looks for an open teammate during the women's lacrosse national championship on May 29, 2016.

lineup of veterans with another offseason of training under head coach Jenny Levy. Factor in the crop of new talent and the reintroduction of players like Bill and Holman, and

North Carolina has the goods to back lofty aspirations for a trip to this year's Final Four in Foxborough, Ma.

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UNC men's basketball prepares for Bonzie Colson, Notre Dame

The Fighting Irish have lost three straight games against conference foes.

By Jeremy Vernon Assistant Sports Editor

The No. 12 North Carolina men's basketball team faces off against No. 20 Notre Dame in the Smith Center at 6 p.m. on Saturday. While the Fighting Irish have lost their last three contests, they still pose a genuine threat to a Tar Heel side that's having their own issues with consistency.

How do they play?

Notre Dame's success this season has been predicated on its offense, and the Fighting Irish have several scoring threats both in the post and on the perimeter.

Notre Dame particularly excels from behind the arc. The Fighting Irish rank 17th in the country in 3-point percentage, and all three Notre Dame players that have taken over 100 3-pointers this season have hit over 38 percent of their attempts.

Who stands out?

The Fighting Irish have a number

of players that can do damage, but arguably their most valuable player this season has been junior forward Bonzie Colson.

Colson currently leads the ACC in rebounds per game (10.6) – a pretty remarkable accomplishment considering he stands at just 6-foot-5. He also leads Notre Dame in scoring, tallying 15.6 points per game, and he's eighth in the conference in fieldgoal percentage (49.4 percent).

What's their weakness?

The Fighting Irish allow their opponents to grab almost 30.8 percent of their own misses, good for 227th in the country. In its six losses, Notre Dame has allowed each opponent to bring in at least nine offensive boards.

On the other side, UNC ranks first in the country in offensive rebounding percentage, hauling in 42.6 percent of the shots it misses.

Couple that with the fact one of Notre Dame's most used lineups has 6-foot-5 Colson at the center spot, and things could get ugly on the glass for the Fighting Irish.

How could they win?

While it hasn't hurt them terribly, the Tar Heels have been giving their

opponents plenty of good looks from 3-point range. UNC's opponents attempt almost 39 percent of their shots from beyond the arc.

Forcing an opponent to shoot such a high percentage of its shots from so far away would seemingly benefit North Carolina, but Notre Dame has the players to exploit this.

Steve Vasturia, Matt Farrell and V.J. Beachem are the Fighting Irish's volume 3-point shooters, and the three have knocked down a combined 40.6 of their attempts. If the trio can each knock down a few threes, it could be the recipe for an upset Saturday.

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